

# 2025 GARY TELFORD ATHLETIC / ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

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## ANKENY ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

A scholar athlete is a student athlete who participates in an organized competitive sport sponsored by the educational institution in which he or she is enrolled. Like many school districts all over the metro, Ankeny is brimming with hundreds of talented scholar athletes. Being recognized as an *outstanding scholar athlete*, however, is something quite different. This winning combination, which requires that a student exhibit excellence in both academics and athletics, is a goal many seek to balance and attain but only a select few actually achieve.

The Ankeny Booster Club, in cooperation with former Athletic Director Gary Telford, believe that a student athlete's accomplishments, both in the classroom and their chosen sport, deserve special recognition. The Telford Scholarship was established several years ago to recognize those hard-working student athletes.

Any Ankeny School District senior who has participated (as *athlete or manager*) in at least two (2) sports each year for grades 10, 11, 12, while simultaneously maintaining a minimum requirement 3.0 cumulative GPA is eligible to apply.

Four \$1,000.00 scholarships will be awarded. Scholarships will be equally divided and awarded to one male and one female recipient from Ankeny High School and Ankeny Centennial High School, who plan to attend a post-high school educational program.

Any student enrolling in a trade school, community college, 2-year or 4-year college is eligible to apply. Telford Scholarship money will be awarded to selected winners following the successful completion of their first semester or quarter of their chosen educational endeavor.

Interested and qualified seniors are encouraged to apply. Application forms are located in your school's Activities Office, or can be obtained in the Ankeny High School or Ankeny Centennial High School counselor's office or online at [www.ankenyboosters.com](http://www.ankenyboosters.com).

Complete the scholarship application form and return it, with essay, to your respective Activities Office no later than **Friday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025**.

A scholarship selection committee will review each submitted application and select two winners from each school. Recipients will be announced in a special presentation during Senior Awards Night; scholarship monies will be allocated after confirmed completion of students first semester at post-secondary institution.

Any questions...email [jill.curran.evans@gmail.com](mailto:jill.curran.evans@gmail.com) for more information.

**Don't wait, apply today!**

**2025 GARY TELFORD ACADEMIC-ATHLETE SCHOLARSHIP**  
**APPLICATION**  
**ANKENY ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB**

**Application due in Activities Office Friday, March 28nd, 2025**

**(Please complete all pages – TYPED not handprint please)**

NAME:	
DATE:	
ADDRESS:	
PHONE:	
EMAIL:	
PARENTS NAME:	
PARENTS PHONE:	
PARENTS EMAIL:	

POST SECONDARY PLANS:	
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OPTIONS TO SUBMITT APPLICATION:

Email application as attachment and send to : [AnkenyAthleticBoosters@gmail.com](mailto:AnkenyAthleticBoosters@gmail.com)

**Subject line must read: TELFORD APPLICATION – (LAST NAME)**

Alternately you may submit a printed hard copy to the Activities Office

<b>Graduation Year:</b>		<b>Cum. Weighted GPA:</b>	
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You may list your freshman year of participation, but eligibility requires you must have participated in at least two sports per year for grades 10, 11 and 12.

<b>SPORT</b>	<b>YEARS PARTICPATED</b>	<b>YEARS VARSITY LETTERED</b>	<b>HONORS All-Conference, State, Awards, other</b>
EXAMPLE	9, 10, 11, 12	11, 12	State qualifier (or winner/place) 10, 12 All Conference 11, 12 Team Captain 12 / MVP / ETC

**ADDITIONAL ATHLETIC/SCHOLAR RECOGNITIONS:**

(Honor Roll, Academic Letter, Academic All Conference, Other)


**EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:**


**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:**


**Please type a short form answer to each of the following questions.**

**No handwritten essays will be accepted.**

How will your experience with being involved in multiple sports, along with achieving academic success propel you in your future plans and goals?
<i>Insert typed answer here, no limit</i>

What tips or encouragement would you give to underclassmen who desire to reach this same level of accomplishment?

Who has been an advocate for you to reach this level of sportsmanship and academia in which you are grateful for and why?
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How have the past struggles, trials and roadblocks caused you to overcome? Give an example in your life.

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